

Testimony in Favor of SB-46
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My name is Christine O'Day and I am a resident of Wilton, CT. I am submitting this testimony in favor of SB-46.

I am very concerned about children in Connecticut being exposed to toxic lawn pesticides and very pleased that Connecticut has once again led the way with legislation protecting others from harm by banning the use of these toxic pesticides at day care centers and school grounds with children through grade 8. But honestly, it's shocking to me that these toxic chemicals are still allowed to be used at high schools in our state. There are multiple studies showing the harmful effects these chemicals have on human health and the environment. Furthermore, kids are playing on these fields every single day and unknowingly being exposed to these harmful chemicals. I equate this situation with smoking...when we finally discovered how bad smoking was for smokers AND the people around the smokers, we finally created legislation to ban smoking in public places all over the country. Shouldn't this be the same case for toxic lawn pesticides?

I hope you will vote in favor of SB-46. Thank you.

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